

May 17, 2006

**TO THE MEMBERS OF THE BROWN
COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE met in special session on May 16, 2006, and recommends the following motions:

1. Review and action by Committee re: Moving Public Safety Communications Department Table of Organization, from Department Status to Sheriff's Department. (Referred to Executive Committee immediately following this meeting.) Recommend to Executive Committee that the Public Safety Communications Department be put under the auspices of the Sheriff's Department, reportable to the Sheriff and the County Board and subject to the County Executive through the budgeting process, on a temporary basis until something else is resolved.

Approved by:

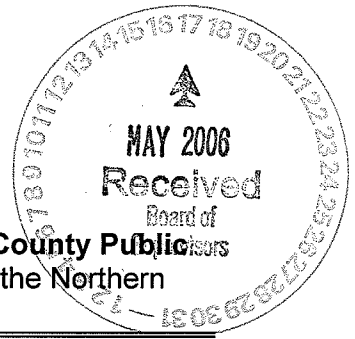
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BROWN COUNTY
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE



Pursuant to Section 19.94 Wis. Stats., a **Special** meeting of the **Brown County Public Safety Committee** was held on Tuesday, May 16, 2006 in Room 200 of the Northern Building, 305 E. Walnut Street, Green Bay, WI

Present: Harold Kaye, Guy Zima, Bill Clancy, Andy Nicholson.
Excused: Joe Backmann
Also Present: Supervisors Tom Lund, Jack Krueger, Bernie Erickson, Kathy Johnson, Steve Fewell, Pat Evans, Nubs DeCleene, Pat LaViolette, Patty Hoeft, and Dave Kaster. Sara Perrizo, Cindy Archer, Jessica Stoller, Jim Nickel, Cullen Peltier, Sheriff Dennis Kocken, John Gossage, Police Chief Craig VanSchyndle, Fire Chief Jeff Stauber, News Media and Other Interested Parties.

1. **Call Meeting to Order:**
The meeting was called to order by Chair Kaye at 5:02 p.m.
2. **Approve/Modify Agenda:**

Motion made by Supervisor Clancy and seconded by Supervisor Zima to approve. Vote Taken. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.
3. **Review and action by Committee re: Moving Public Safety Communications Department Table of Organization from Department Status to Sheriff's Department. (Referred to Executive Committee immediately following this meeting).**

Chair Kaye stated that Supervisor Pat Evans requested to speak, so he was asked to come forward. Supervisor Evans distributed a handout of a proposal that he would like the committee to consider (see attached). He said that he spoke with other agencies throughout the state regarding their Public Safety Communications and proceeded to go over the bullet points of his proposal.

Supervisor Nicholson arrived at 5:20 p.m.

Considerable discussion ensued over the following points:

- We need to talk to all of the users of the department and get their approval before any changes are made.
- If a change is made, a review of the operations of the department should occur after 12 or 18 months.
- The committee praised the present Director of Public Safety Communications and he has been commended by the County Board.
- We already have an advisory board to the department and it is working well.
- The important thing at this time is to make Public Safety Communications a sub-department and not subject to the County Executive.

- Ten thousand dollars was spent on a report researching a bidding process, when nobody came forward and stated that there was anything wrong with the bidding process.
- This department should be pulled from under the Executive branch and it should be temporarily moved to the Sheriff's Department until an agreement among the users of the system can be made for the governance of the Communications Center and Emergency Government in Brown County.
- This action would save two years of progress and innovation. We now have an elite Public Safety Communications Department and the County Board should not accept anything less than the best.

Motion made by Supervisor Zima and seconded by Supervisor Clancy to recommend to the Executive Committee that the Public Safety Communications Department be put under the auspices of the Sheriff's Department, reportable to the Sheriff and the County Board and subject to the County Executive through the budgeting process, on a temporary basis until something else is resolved. Vote Taken. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. Such Other Matters as Authorized by Law.

Motion made by Supervisor Zima and seconded by Supervisor Clancy to adjourn at 5:45 p.m. Vote Taken. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Buzzell
Recording Secretary

Patrick M. Evans
Brown County Supervisor – District 10

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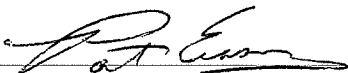
To: Public Safety Committee

Re: **Public Safety Communications Governing Board**

I propose the following:

- Place the Brown County Communications Center table of organization (thus including the Director of Public Safety Communications) underneath the Sheriff's Department.
- The Director of Public Safety Communications will remain a Civilian.
- An interim committee create a **"Public Safety Communications Governing Board."** Either the Public Safety Committee could establish an interim committee or the Criminal Justice Co-coordinating Board would be an advisable group to start this process (next meeting 05/23/06) as well.
- The **Public Safety Communications Governing Board** will be a "reporting" board and not just an "advisory" board. In essence the Director of Public Safety Communications will report to this board and than ultimately report to the Brown County Sheriff.
- This Board would have responsibility to review the table of organization, budgeting, day-to-day operations (if issues arise), and basically the total overall communications services program. The charge of this Board would be to maintain a positive ebon flow with all users of the center.
- The following five Directors would represent this Board (with a designee if needed):
 1. Police Chief from a "large size city", such as Green Bay.
 2. Fire Chief from a "medium size city", such as DePere.
 3. Volunteer Fire Chief – such as Howard/Suamico.
 4. Police Chief from a "smaller community", such as Pulaski.
 5. Private Citizen – appointed by this commission for a two year term.

Respectfully submitted,



Patrick Evans

Brown County Supervisor – District 10